

REMARKS

Applicants have considered the Office Action of November 1, 2005 and appreciate the indication of Allowable Subject Matter. In an effort to further the prosecution of this matter and obtain allowance of the application, Applicants have amended the claims in view of the Examiner's comments under Allowable Subject Matter and the art of record. No new subject matter has been introduced by the amendments. A clean copy of the claims is attached for the convenience of the Examiner.

The Examiner had indicated that claims 25-35, 47-49, and 55-68 are allowed.

The Examiner has objected to claims 3-5, 19, 21, 38, 39, 45, 46, and 51-54.

The following claims are cancelled hereby: 1, 2, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 36, 37, 50, and 52.

Applicants have rewritten claim 3 into independent form and have included the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as being previously recited in dependent claim 19 (actually previously recited in claim 3). Claims 4, 5, and 7 each depend from claim 3 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 9 into independent form and have included limitations Applicant asserts are not taught by the prior art of record. Claims 10 and 11 each depend from claim 9 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 19 into independent form and have included the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as being previously recited in dependent claim 21 (actually previously recited in claim 19). Claims 20 and 21 each depend from claim 19 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 38 into independent form and have included the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as being previously recited in claim 38. Claims 39 and 40 each depend from claim 38 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 41 into independent form and have included the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as previously being recited in claim 45. Claims 42-46 each depend from claim 41 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 47 into independent form and have included, in addition to other limitations, the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as previously being recited in claim 45. Claims 48 and 49 each depend from claim 47 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 50 into independent form and have included limitations Applicant asserts are not taught by the prior art of record. Claims 51-53 each depend from claim 50 and include additional limitations.

Applicants have rewritten claim 54 into independent form and have included the limitations the Examiner indicates under Allowable Subject Matter as not being taught by the prior art and as previously recited in claim 54.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned should the Examiner have any questions concerning this Amendment or require any additional information.

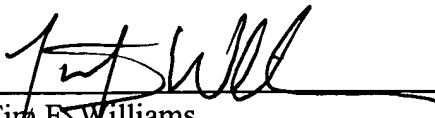
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Respectfully submitted,

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